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THE PROPER SPIRIT.

Mackin Council has begun an undertaking of unusual importance in the appointment of a committee to look into the advisability of establishing a Junior Rank. The idea is to make provision for Catholic boys, who have not reached the age of admission to the order. Boys between the ages of fifteen and eighteen need care and attention. They are at that age when they are at a fork in the road, one way leads to gentility, the other to hoodlumism. If Mackin's members can find a way to help the boys, their lead will be followed all over America.

ONE WON OVER.

The Emerald, of Manchester, N. H., says: "The Carlow Nationalist convention's selecting of McMurrugh Kavanagh as candidate for the Parliamentary vacancy is significant. He was an extensive landholder in Leinster, but has sold his estates. He is the son and heir of Kavanagh of Borris, who in the Disraeli period was leader of the Irish Unionist and landlord party. He himself was a Unionist candidate for East Galway in 1886, but joined the Dunraven movement. Becoming convinced that the devolution would not work, he has now declared for home rule and signed the pledge of the Irish party." It is to be hoped that Mr. Kavanagh will stick to his party through thick and thin.

IRISH UNITY.

At Monaghan, Ireland, two weeks ago, P. J. Shelly delivered an address before the Newbliss Catholic Club. His subject was, "Characteristics of the Celt." After telling of many exploits of Irishmen in every quarter of the globe, not overlooking the fact that an Irish Franciscan was the first priest to reach Bardstown, Ky., he gave them this admonition regarding their faults: "You will, I hope, forgive what may be termed boldness on my part if, after extolling Celtic virtue, I should dwell on some of our faults. Some of those faults can best be remedied, and are being remedied, by the clergy. But there is one weakness, however, much we dislike hearing of it, which is equally disastrous to our national honor and progress—the spirit of dissension. Nor is this spirit of recent growth; it seems at all times inherent in the national character. No doubt we have conflicting elements in our population, particularly in the North. We have Protestants and Catholics, Celts and Anglo-Saxons, and it is not therefore unnatural that a discordant note should sometimes be heard. Thanks to a changing enlightenment a better feeling now has manifested itself. But what is really to be deplored is that spirit of dissension that exists amongst Irishmen whose interests are identical. You have seen this un-English and un-Catholic spirit displayed from time to time in your midst, and to my astonishment and disgust I have witnessed it abroad. This feeling has been the cause of bitter feelings, of long life enmities, and it has been a potent factor in keeping the national cause at an eternal standstill. It is a remarkable and a deplorable fact that Irishmen at home and abroad have their prejudices, their jealousies, their clanish antipathies, their vocabulary of abuse against each other. Are we not all in the North and in the South as in the East and West, Irishmen, with the same hopes and aspirations and struggling for the same reward?"

His point is well taken. The Irish ought to be united. But are we Irish any worse off than any other country as regards unity? We have Democrats, Republicans, Socialists and Prohibitionists in the United States. In England the Liberals and the Tories are forever quarrelling. Germany has its "Right, Left, and Center" contingents. French, Italian, Spanish and Australian politicians agree to disagree, but if Irishmen fall out over a question of political equity they are condemned by the whole world.

Caleb Powers, who has had a variegated assortment of sentences in his various trials for complicity in the murder of Gov. Goebel, says he expects to be pardoned by Gov. Willson and that he will then become a candidate for Congress from the Eleventh district of Kentucky. If he is not guilty what need has he to seek a pardon? If he is guilty why should he seek a pardon and why should he be pardoned?

Poor old Diogenes, the Greek philosopher, is going to get a new job. For centuries he has been hunting for an honest man. Louisville Democrats would like to employ him

SOCIETY.

Miss Celia Laven has gone to New York for a stay of two weeks.

Miss Mary Flood, of Jeffersonville, is visiting relatives in Louisville.

Mrs. Guy Murphy, of Parkland, is visiting relatives in Indianapolis.

Miss Nannie Maloney, of Seymour, Ind., is visiting relatives in Jeffersonville.

Patrick Healy and his bride have returned to Jeffersonville from their wedding trip.

Mrs. Charles Cullen, of Portland, is the guest of Mrs. Ruth Loughmiller, at Indianapolis.

Mrs. W. A. Tarpy is in New York as the guest of Mrs. Dwan, and will remain several weeks.

Misses Anna Blanche and Josephine McGill have gone to New York to spend several months.

Eric Carrico has returned from New Haven, where he paid his annual visit to his mother.

The Young Ladies' Euchre Club has discontinued all social functions until the Lenten season is over.

Miss Katherine Mattingly, of the Highlands, is visiting her cousin, Miss Althaire Mattingly, at Lebanon.

John Finn, of 3514 Third avenue, who received injuries in a recent street car accident, is rapidly recovering.

Mrs. George F. Blau and grandson, Master John Huffman, are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Pat Glynn, at Indianapolis.

Miss Ella Dillon, of 2023 Lytle street, entertained a number of her little friends with a mask party last Tuesday evening.

William Dougherty and Mrs. William Kelly, of Cannelton, Ind., who visited friends at South Louisville, have returned home.

Miss Dora O'Connor has returned from a pleasant visit to Middletown, where she was the guest of Misses Mead and Katie Durr.

Miss Lilla Kearns, of South Louisville, has returned home from her visit to relatives in Lebanon, New Haven and Bardstown.

Mrs. J. H. Kearns and her daughter, Miss Lily, went to New Orleans for the Mardi Gras festivities. They may not return for several weeks.

Thomas O'Hern, who has been confined to his home in Jeffersonville from an attack of grip and fever, is expected to be out in a day or two.

James M. Treasy, J. T. Sullivan and Frank Senn were among the number from this city who were sojourners at West Baden during the past week.

Friends of Miss Carmel Mahoney, who is at St. Joseph's Infirmary under treatment for rheumatism, will be glad to learn that she is improving.

Major Gen. Michael Reichert, of the Catholic Knights of America, is expected to be here by the end of the week. He is recovering from an attack of grip. Fortunately his illness is not serious.

Capt. Mike Dolan, of the No. 5 Engine Company, who sustained serious injuries at the burning of the Second Presbyterian church, is steadily improving.

Miss Carrie T. Goodman and Daniel McHenry were married at Holy Trinity rectory last Tuesday evening. The Rev. Charles Curran performed the ceremony.

Mrs. Jack Gilbert, one of the most popular matrons in Parkland, and her little son, Hilda Gilbert, have gone to Jackson, Tenn., to spend several weeks with relatives.

John J. Barry, editor of the New Haven Echo, was the guest of his friend and namesake, John J. Barry, of the Kentucky Irish American, at an informal dinner Tuesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Manus, of New Albany, are guests of the latter's sister, Mrs. Andrew Schenck, of New Orleans. They arrived in time for the Mardi Gras festivities, but will remain several weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. George Berry, of Thirty-second and Broadway, have returned from a pleasant visit to St. Vincent's, Union county, where they were the guests of the Rev. Father Bernard A. Cunningham and his sister, Miss Lizzie Cunningham. They wish to thank the Rev. Father and declare that St. Vincent's is the most beautiful spot in Kentucky.

Mr. and Mrs. John McCoy, who spent the first days of their honeymoon at New Orleans, have continued their trip to California, and will not return for several weeks. Mrs. McCoy was formerly Mrs. John Campbell, of 2101 Griffiths avenue. The groom was also well and favorably known in the West End. The marriage ceremony was performed at St. Cecilia's church Thursday evening of last week. Their wedding was quite a surprise to the friends.

Miss Ferol Cox entertained a party of friends at her home, 526 Hancock street, Tuesday evening. Among those present were Misses Katherine R. Bowling, Mary L. Bax, Stella Nolan, Mary L. Reckenswald, Christine Kruse, Alma and Mary Donnelly, Irene Schmitt, Viola Weidekamp; Messrs. Fred Hutt, E. W. Hutton, Paul E. Bowling, Steve Campbell, John and T. A. Martin and James Russell. All present enjoyed a pleasant evening and declared that Miss Cox was a delightful hostess.

Miss Margaret McKenna, of Fairfield, Ky., and one of the most charming girls in the State, enjoyed the Mardi Gras festivities at New Orleans this week. The Catholic Journal at Memphis, under date of February 29, says: "Miss Margaret Walsh, daughter of Vice Mayor Walsh, entertained with cards on the last Saturday night in honor of her guest, Miss Margaret McKenna, of Fairfield, Ky. The reception hall was profusely decorated with Ameri-

can beauties. The parlor was decorated with Easter lilies. The library and dining room, where the tables were set, were decorated in red carnations. There were fifty guests present. Miss Margaret Walsh was assisted in receiving by the Misses Sambucetti. A three-course dinner was served. The entertainment lasted until midnight." Later in the week Miss McKenna and Miss Walsh went to New Orleans to attend the pre-Lenten soirees.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas McGuire were given a surprise party, in honor of the third anniversary of their marriage, at their home, 2200 Fourth avenue, Tuesday night. Euchre and dancing were the features of the evening. Those present were Misses Lizetta Siener, Ida Couchman, Ray McGuire, Margaret Halloran, Anna May Couchman and Messrs. Henry Lett, John McGuire, Messrs. and Mesdames James Couchman, Frank McGuire, Sr., Conrad Wallachmidt and Frank McGuire, Jr.

MACKIN'S MEN

Will Have Another Lively Debate According to Schedule.

The attendance at Mackin Council, Y. M. I., Tuesday night was fair, but there was a great amount of business transacted. Five new members were elected and ten applications were received. The Visiting Committee reported that five members were still on the sick list. A communication from the Supreme President, urging the members to do their utmost to increase the membership and build up the order in Kentucky jurisdiction was read. The President also commended Mackin Council for the spirit previously shown.

The Opera Committee reported that satisfactory progress was being made in rehearsals. It was decided to hold meetings of the council on Monday instead of Tuesday night during the Lenten period. The decision was also decided to pay a social visit to Trinity Council in the near future.

Before the meeting adjourned it was announced that the Debating Club had prepared another treat for tomorrow afternoon. The question to be discussed is "Resolved, That the Government should own and operate the railroads." Frank Morgan and John Kinney will uphold the affirmative, while Shirley Cuniff and Thomas Bachman will espouse the negative. The debate will be held in the club house at 3 o'clock tomorrow afternoon.

LITTLE ONES

Led Procession in Front of Blessed Sacrament on Sunday.

Tiny boys and girls, larger boys and girls with mischief leading from beneath their long Hibernian eyelashes, boys and girls that could sing, some that did not try to sing, led the way before the Blessed Sacrament when it was carried in the procession that opened the devotion of the forty hours at St. Louis Bertrand's church last Sunday. The Rev. Father Flood, O. P., was celebrant of the mass, with Father Dunn as deacon and Father Christmas sub-deacon. Father Clark was master of ceremonies.

Dominicans have a habit of doing things well, but the ceremonies last Sunday surpassed anything ever attempted in St. Louis Bertrand's church. The lights, the simple yet ornate decorations, the solemn music, the boys and girls, the dignity of the clergy, were enough to attract devotion from an infidel, but the Blessed Sacrament was there besides.

CARDINAL'S APPEAL.

Two weeks ago, when Cardinal Gibbons was the guest of honor at a meeting of the Knights of Columbus, Washington, D. C., he appealed not only to the 500 Knights assembled, but to the entire body scattered over an immense part of the world. He appealed to the Knights to give an additional contribution to the Catholic University at Washington. His Eminence referred to the former gift made by the order to the university in this way: "If you were but 500 strong when you contributed a sum of \$50,000, surely now in your membership of 200,000 you can raise the \$500,000 which has been brought to your attention. If you do this the name of your organization will go down into history and will be cherished for all time by members of the faith."

MARTYRED PRIEST'S FUNERAL.

The funeral of Rev. Father Leo Heinrichs, who was assassinated by an anarchist while giving holy communion in St. Elizabeth's church, Denver, Col., Sunday, February 23, was held in Paterson, New Jersey, last Sunday. The church was crowded and fifty police were required to prevent the edifice from being overcrowded. The Right Rev. Bishop O'Connor was present in the sanctuary, but the solemn requiem mass was celebrated by Rev. Father Blecke, Provincial of the Franciscan order. The funeral was the largest held in the history of Paterson.

EXPLAINED.

It is stated that certain young men of the southern part of the city are taking quite an interest in music, particularly operas, since the recent production of the "Merry Milkmaids" in Jeffersonville, at least that is the excuse offered for three nights a week spent on the Indiana shore. The betting on Deacon Jim and Farmer Jim is about even, while Cousin Eddie is looked upon by the wise as the "candy kid."

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